

MASSES

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm

Sunday 9.30am 11.00am, 12.30pm

Weekdays 10.00am, 7.15pm

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 10.30am, and before evening Mass

Eve of Holydays & eve of First Fridays:

10.30am. and before evening Mass

BAPTISMS DATES:

Every Saturday at 7.00pm

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PARISH GROUPS

Tues: 8pm Choir Practice

Wed 8.00pm Adult Education

Thurs 7.45pm Scripture Group

New members welcome!

REFLECTION IN A WELL

Once a young boy stood watching a gypsy as he drank from a well in the town square. After drinking, the man continued to gaze into the well, as though looking at someone.

He was a giant of a man but had a friendly face.

So the boy approached him and asked:

'Who lives down there?'

'God does' answered the gypsy.

'Can I see him?'

'Sure you can' said the gypsy.

Then taking the boy into his arms he lifted him up so that he could see down the well.

All the boy could see however, was his own reflection in the water.

'But that's only me' he cried in disappointment. *'All I see is me'.*

'Ah' replied the gypsy, *'now you know where God lives, He lives in you'.*



HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

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THE FLOOD

On Tuesday evening the heavens opened. I never saw rain like it. I was sitting on a chair in the garage fixing some bee equipment. The flood came so fast that I had to stand on a chair. I had just bought a new pair of shoes so I took them off, rolled up my trousers and waded my way to the side door of the church. I tried in vain to put sandbags there to stop the water. My efforts were futile. Norman arrived and tried the same. As it happened people were coming into the church for an Anniversary Mass. Together with the normal evening congregation we did our best to sweep the water back from spreading.

Over the last few days trogon work has been done by many especially Sean Gallagher. As you will see the church is back to normal. We are so grateful to those who volunteered their help and made donations

I have written to the Mayor about the drainage in this area not being fit for purpose. As this is the second time this has happened we will have to ensure that this never happens again.

CONGRATULATIONS to the children from Holy Family School and St. Eithne's School on making their First Holy Communion recently. We hope you had a wonderful day. Thanks to your parents, teachers and church workers for making the day so special. Please remember that this is only the beginning. We look forward to seeing you again at Mass every weekend.

Happy Father's Day

BAPTISMS Our parish family welcomes: Ryan Peter Robinson
26 Corrib Court

Anniversaries We pray for
Michael Deehan, Rosemary Leonard
Sheila McGeehan, Darren Crawford,
Claire McLaughlin, Brigeen Cregan
Leo & Harry Clifford, Bridie Sharkey
Ann Deehan

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION
8th June amounted to £1683.85 and
€159.60 Thank you

ANNUAL SERVICE OF INTERCESSION FOR THE DEAD: takes place in the City Cemetery next Sunday, 22nd June at 6.00 pm. Please be in position at 5.30 pm. Families are asked to bring their own holy water with them for the blessing of the graves. At the appropriate time Bishop McKeown will ask a representative of each family to sprinkle their family grave (and neighbouring grave if there is no-one present). There will be no holy water in the Cemetery.

PIONEERS' AND FRIENDS' PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK in honour of Venerable Matt Talbot will take place on Sunday 20th July Main celebrant: Most Rev Charles Brown, Papal Nuncio. Bus leaves from Steelstown Church car park at 8 am. Cost £10. Snack and four course evening meal an additional £25. Tel 71352285 or 71291231 to book.

PILGRIMAGE DAY RETREAT AND PRO-LIFE RALLY
Friday - Saturday, 4-5 July. **Package deal:** *Day 1:* Coach from Derry, cooked breakfast en route, day retreat with Bishop Caggiano (USA) in Clongowes Wood College, Co. Kildare; visit to Maynooth College. DB&B in Citywest Hotel, Dublin. *Day 2:* Coach to Belfast, light lunch and attendance at Pro-life Rally in Custom House Square. *Total cost £103pps* Accompanied by Fr Roland Colhoun. phone 7134 2303 email roland@derrydiocese.org
Bookings and payments today (Sunday), 7:45-9:30pm, Parish Office, Waterside. Full payment needed to secure a place.

YOUTHLIFE VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT DRIVE – for those aged 25+ Would you like to build experience and skills while gaining confidence? Do you want to meet people, have fun, be part of your community and make a difference to others? Interested in making Derry a better place? If yes to any of these questions then volunteering for Youthlife could be for you – Full induction and training will be given. For more information or for an application for contact Deidre on 02871377227 or visit us @ www.youthlife.org or call in and chat with us at 23 Bishop Street.

Mc MILLAN COFFEE MORNING
Every Friday at 10am-12.30pm in Community Centre Shaw Court.

WARM HOMES Don't miss out on Free Insulation. Have you had your loft insulated in the past 8 years? If not you may be entitled to FREE insulation measures through the Warm Homes Scheme. call 0800 988 0559.

COMPUTER SKILLS Are you interested in improving your computer skills or want to know how to code using new technology. Do you want to see amazing 3D printing or have a go at laser printing demonstrated by Fab Lab. Come along to Central Library on Monday 16th June from 4pm-5.30pm, 6.30pm-8pm or Tuesday 17th June from 4.00-5.30pm. For further details contact Eugene at Central Library 71272310

AL-ANON Is someone in your family addicted to alcohol? Is the addiction causing stress in the family and problems in your home? If so, there is help for you at Al-Anon family groups. These currently run on Thursday evenings at 8.30pm and Sunday evenings at 8.00pm, in Melrose Day Centre, Glendermott Road, Waterside, Derry or White Oaks Centre, Derryvane, Muff. on Tuesday evenings at 8.00pm. Contact Al-Anon family groups on 90682368 for further details.

HOLY FAMILY PILGRIMAGE
LOURDES: 16-21ST JULY.
£625. Deposit £200.
Savings and Deposits Parochial House Thursdays 8-9pm
Tel 07732468511

MUSIC CITY DERRY will be held at as many places as possible throughout the centre city and suburbs. If you or your group are interested in becoming involved please contact the Music City Team no later than Wednesday 18th June. Your performance(s) will be included in the Music City online listings. For further information

E: shauna@musiccityderry.co.uk

ART EXHIBITION Age Concern Derry have weekly art classes on Tuesday afternoons from 1.30-3.30, As part of the Community Relations week, OPNW will be exhibiting art works on Monday 23RD June 7pm-9pm For more information please telephone 71347478. All welcome

3G FOOTBALL PITCH Bookings for the use of the 3G pitch at Leafair will commence at 10am on 16th June. Requests will be taken on a 'first come first served basis'. Telephone 71353735. at Skeoge House, 60A Leafair Park

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS available in the local area 7 nights a week. Contact AA at 90434848